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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Ms. Christine T. Mui, Art Unit 1797

In re the Application of

Attorney Docket: 06999

Werner ARTS and Berndt MARTENS

Application No. 10/583,932

Filing Date: June 22, 2006

FOR:

PROCESS AND ARRANGEMENT FOR DETERMINING WATER CONTENT

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

and

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND SUBMISSION OF

EXTENSION FEE

October 13, 2009

BY HAND

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

P O Box 1450

Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 10, 2009, please consider the Request for Extension of Time (page 2), Submission of Fees (page 3), Amendment (page 4), Status of Claims (pages 5 to 8), and Remarks (pages 9 to 12).

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

It is respectfully requested that the time for replying to Office action of June 10, 2009, be extended for one month.

The Office action set a three-month period for reply which ends October 10, 2009, which was a Saturday. The next day, October 11, 2009, was a Sunday and the next day, October 12, 2009, was a legal holiday (Columbus Day), so that with the one-month extension today's filing is timely.

The required fee is submitted herewith, see page 3.

SUBMISSION OF EXTENSION FEE

One month extension (small entity)

\$ 65.00

Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment by credit card is attached.

Should any greater or lesser fee be required, please charge or credit Deposit

Account No. 04-0753.

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office action of June 10, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Cancel claims 37 to 52 and add claims 53 to 64.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.